

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 842
By Finney

A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Leah Festa, 2006
Salutatorian of Seymour High School.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those students who, through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to academic excellence, have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Leah Festa is one such exceptional student who was recently named Salutatorian of the 2006 graduating class at Seymour High School; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and steadfast commitment of time and talent, Leah Festa has achieved outstanding academic success and has joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee and our country; and

WHEREAS, in her remarkable high school career, Ms. Festa has earned an exemplary 3.98 grade point average while serving as a valued member and officer of several scholastic organizations, including the Keyettes, National Honor Society, and the Beta Club; and

WHEREAS, an avid sports enthusiast, Ms. Festa was a valued member of her school's golf team; and

WHEREAS, Leah attended the Governor's School for Tennessee Heritage and Girls' State and has been awarded Grand Prize in the Walters State Community College Creative Writing Competition, the Smoky Mountain Counseling Association Scholarship, and the Volunteer Scholarship; and

WHEREAS, Leah Festa's display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for her future success as a student at the University of Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Festa's noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for her parents, Ronald and Kathleen Festa, her school, and her community; and

WHEREAS, Leah Festa's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby commend and honor the 2006 Seymour High School Salutatorian, Leah Festa, on her impressive academic achievement and extend to her our best wishes for a happy and successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.